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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented) Safety top balustrade for a car of a machine room-less elevator which moves in a hoistway, on a wall of which a controller of the elevator is secured, said balustrade comprising:

a fixed structure comprising a plurality of vertical uprights located at intervals near the edge of the car roof and at least two guard rails fixed at different heights on the uprights, the fixed structure located around at least a portion of the periphery of the car roof,

a mobile structure comprising at least two bars that are telescopically mounted inside the guard rails, so as to slide between an open position where the bars are inserted within the guard rails, and a closed position where the bars are extended out of the guard rails,

wherein the mobile structure is positioned along the edge of the car roof so as to allow access to the controller mounted in the hoistway.

2. (Previously Presented) Balustrade according to claim 1, wherein a bridge comprising a horizontal plate is slidably mounted on the roof of the car between a retracted position in which it is placed completely on the roof, and an extended position in which a portion of the bridge protrudes outside of the roof across the space between the car and the wall of the hoistway so as to allow access to the controller mounted in the hoistway.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Previously Presented) Balustrade according to claim 1, wherein the bars of the mobile structure are connected at their ends by a cross bar that acts as an abutting element and which allows the mobile structure to be moved integrally.

5. (Currently Amended) Balustrade according to claim 1, wherein the mobile structure is secured in its retracted position or in its extended position by means of locking elements, such as pins or belts inserted through holes drilled in the guard rails and the bars.

6. (Previously Presented) Balustrade according to one of the preceding claims, wherein the guard rails and the bars have a square section and are made of steel.